

MINUTES
MANSFIELD INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
Regular Meeting
Tuesday September 8, 2015
Council Chamber, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Members present: J. Goodwin, B. Chandy, R. Hall, K. Rawn, B. Ryan, V. Ward
Members absent: G. Lewis, B. Pociask
Alternates present: K. Holt, S. Westa
Alternates absent: P. Aho
Staff present: Jennifer Kaufman, Inland Wetlands Agent

Chairman Goodwin called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and appointed Holt and Westa to act in the absence of members.

Chairman Goodwin spoke of how much Commission Member Peter Plante will be missed. In honor of Plante, who often brought this for the Commission, Wetlands Agent passed out 'Smart Food Popcorn'. A card was distributed and members will collect a donation from the IWA/PZC and present it to the Mansfield Lion's Club in Peter's name.

Minutes:

08-03-15 – Meeting Minutes- Holt MOVED, Holt seconded, to approve the 08-03-15 meeting minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Westa who disqualified herself.

08-12-15 – Field Trip Minutes- Holt MOVED, Rawn seconded, to approve the 08-12-15 field trip minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with Holt and Rawn in favor and all others disqualified.

Communications:

The Conservation Commission cancelled their August meeting, so no draft minutes were available. The Wetlands Agent Monthly Business report was noted.

Old Business:

a. W1555 – J. and K. Hawes, 241 Mulberry Rd, Above Ground Pool, Deck and Shed

Holt MOVED, Ward seconded, to grant an Inland Wetlands License pursuant to the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to J. and K. Hawes (File #W1555) for installation of an above-ground pool on property owned by the applicants and located at 241 Mulberry Road as shown on plans dated 7/27/2015 and as described in an application dated 7/26/2015.

This action is based on a finding of no anticipated significant adverse impact on the wetlands, and is conditioned on the following provisions being met:

1. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls shall be in place prior to construction, maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized;
2. To ensure that the slope created down gradient of the house along conservation markers shall be seeded and mulched so that it is adequately stabilized;
3. The area to be filled on the east side of the garage shall be stabilized with seed and mulch if the slope percentage allows for that. If not, then an erosion control blanket or excavated stone from the rear yard and/or rip-rap shall be installed for long term stabilization;
4. Silt fence will be installed prior to any construction in the location indicated on the plan submitted with the application;

5. All stock piles shall be located at least 50 feet from the edge of wetlands. Excess material shall be removed from the site or distributed at least 50 feet from the wetlands; and
6. Before a certificate of compliance is issued from the Zoning Agent, all works shall be inspected by the Inland Wetlands Agent.

This approval is valid for five years (until September 8, 2020) unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this Agency for further review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Business:

a. W1556 – T. Wassenberg, Intersection of Woodland Road and Wildwood Road, 2 lot subdivision

Goodwin noted that she will recuse herself when this application is considered by the Agency.

Westa MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by T. Wassenberg (IWA File #1556) under the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield for a 2 lot subdivision on property located at Woodland Road on parcel 18.66.1-A and parcel 18.66.1-B, as shown on a map dated 2/28/2007 and revised through 10/5/2007 and as described in an application submitted on 8/10/2015, and to refer said application to staff and the Conservation Commission for review and comments. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

b. W1557 – C. L. Niarhakos, 101 East Road, 3 lot re- subdivision

Holt disqualified herself.

Ryan MOVED, Ward seconded, to receive the application submitted by Christopher and Lindsey Niarhakos (IWA File #1548) under the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield for a 3-lot subdivision on property located at 101 East Road as shown on a map dated 3/30/2015 and revised through 6/21/2015 and as described in an application submitted on 8/30/2015, refer said application to staff and the Conservation Commission for review and comments, schedule a Public Hearing for November 2, 2015, and authorize staff to solicit proposals from independent consultants so that the Agency may hire one per section 8.6 of the Mansfield Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Reports from Officers and Committees:

No reports were offered.

Other Communications and Bills:

Noted.

Adjournment:

Chairman Goodwin set a Field Trip for 9/16/15 at 2:00 p.m. and declared the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vera S. Ward, Secretary